

Judge Robert S. Lasnik

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

NAVID PARSA,

Plaintiff,

v.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE, *et al.*,

Defendants.

No. 2:24-cv-628-RSL

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD
CASE IN ABEYANCE AND ORDER

Plaintiff and Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 7(d)(1), 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to stay these proceedings through August 28, 2024. Plaintiff brought this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act and Mandamus Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel Defendants to complete administrative processing his father's refused immigrant visa application. Defendant's response to the Complaint is currently due on July 29, 2024. The parties are currently working towards a resolution to this litigation. For good cause, the parties request that the Court hold the case in abeyance until August 28, 2024.

Courts have "broad discretion" to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel,

1 and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 1.

2 With additional time, this case may be resolved without the need of further judicial
3 intervention. A consular officer refused the immigrant visa application at issue pursuant to 8 U.S.C.
4 § 1201(g) on September 29, 2022, for security screening. The ongoing administrative processing
5 may result in a consular officer readjudicating the immigrant visa application. Recently, the U.S.
6 Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, requested additional documentation from Plaintiff’s father, including a
7 valid medical examination report. Plaintiff anticipates that his father will complete the medical
8 examination by July 30, 2024. Once the consular officer receives the requested documentation,
9 additional time will be necessary for the consular officer to review the medical exam report and other
10 case documents to determine if Plaintiff’s father’s application is eligible for reconsideration. If so,
11 the application may be readjudicated and a visa possible issued, or the consular officer may request
12 additional documentation.

13 As additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court hold the
14 case in abeyance until August 28, 2024. The parties will submit a status report on or before August
15 28, 2024.

16 Dated: July 27, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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I certify that this memorandum contains 357 words, in compliance with the Local Civil Rules.

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ORDER

The case is held in abeyance until August 28, 2024. The parties shall submit a status update on or before August 28, 2024.

It is so **ORDERED**.

DATED this 29th day of July, 2024.



Robert S. Lasnik

United States District Judge